



Wall Street Reform Arkansans Deserve

Dear Fellow Arkansan,

On the very day that historic [Wall Street reforms were signed into law this week](#), Arkansans have already seen how reform benefits Main Street.

When ANB Financial in Rogers failed in May of 2009 as a result of the financial crisis, 650 Arkansas depositors lost much of their life savings and retirement funds. The Wall Street reform bill that I helped write and get signed into law will ensure that these 650 Arkansans get their hard-earned money back. This is real reform benefitting ordinary folks right here in Arkansas.

Arkansans need to know that when they put their hard-earned money in the bank, it will be safe. We strengthened federal deposit insurance in this bill so that Arkansans will never again risk losing their life savings. Instead, they can trust that their money is protected in community banks where their deposits will be safe and insured.

Throughout this recent debate on Wall Street reform, I continually reminded my colleagues of the need to protect ordinary depositors. I included a provision that will protect depositors by making sure that customers' deposits are not used by Wall Street banks to make risky investments.

Not only did we strengthen federal deposit insurance, we took great strides to make sure banks do not fail in the first place. We expect banks to play it safe and hold adequate capital so that taxpayers will never again have to bail them out.

This bill is already helping folks on Main Street—hard-working Arkansans—who had nothing to do with causing the economic crisis and should not be forced to pay for fixing the problem.

As always, please feel free to [contact me with your comments, suggestions and concerns](#). I look forward to hearing from you.

With Arkansas Pride,

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